

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Chong-Sheng YUAN

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For: DETERMINATION OF IONS USING ION-  
SENSITIVE ENZYMES

Confirmation No.: 6779

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Examiner: R. Hutson

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 24, 2008, for which a response was due on January 24, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thus extending the time to respond to February 24, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.